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AVENGERS FOREVER



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“Yet another comic legend has left us. Aside from being an incredible inker and painter, Tom was a true gentleman. He was like Obi-Wan to so many young editors and artists, freely sharing his experiences and wisdom with us all. Rest in peace, Tom.”

—C.B. CEBULSKI

And there came a day, a day unlike any other, when the mightiest Avengers of many Earths found themselves united against a common threat--to fight the foes no single universe could withstand!

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ALL-RIDER



ANT-MAN



IRON MAN



TONY STARK



DEATHLOK



IRON MAN



TONY STARK

The **Multiversal Masters of Evil**, a group comprised of the deadliest villains of their respective worlds, have been making their way through the Multiverse, conquering countless universes. An unlikely group of **Avengers** from different realities has formed to oppose the villains: **Robbie Reyes**, the **All-Rider** from **Earth-616**, a **Deathlok** dispatched by the mysterious **Avenger Prime** and **Tony Stark**, the **Ant-Man** of **Earth-818**. They have been traveling together through various realities in search of new and surprising allies.

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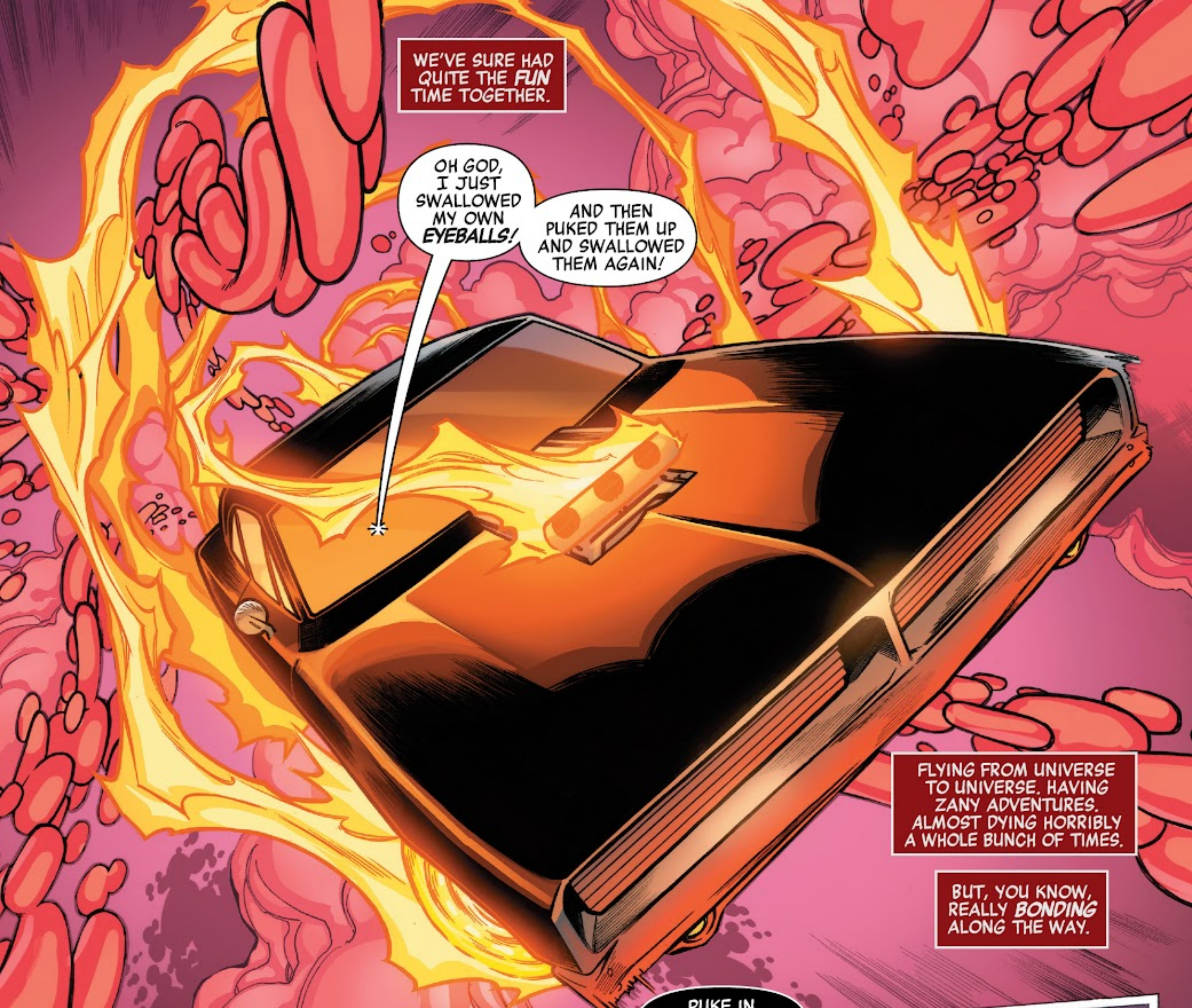
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WE'VE SURE HAD
QUITE THE *FUN*
TIME TOGETHER.

OH GOD,
I JUST
SWALLOWED
MY OWN
EYEBALLS!

AND THEN
PUKED THEM UP
AND SWALLOWED
THEM AGAIN!

FLYING FROM UNIVERSE
TO UNIVERSE. HAVING
ZANY ADVENTURES.
ALMOST DYING HORRIBLY
A WHOLE BUNCH OF TIMES.

BUT, YOU KNOW,
REALLY *BONDING*
ALONG THE WAY.

PUKE IN
THE CAR, RIDE IN
THE TRUNK.

THE TRUNK IS A
PORTAL TO HELL.
JUST SO YOU KNOW,
TONY STARK.

YOU
GUYS ARE
BOTH A BARREL
OF LAUGHS, YOU
KNOW THAT?

AND WE'RE DOING IT ALL
TO TRY TO WIN A WAR
WE'RE ALREADY LOSING,
BADLY--A WAR FOR ALL
THE MARBLES.

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND.
HOW COULD
LAUGHTER FIT
INSIDE A
BARREL?

WOW, I
CAN'T BELIEVE THIS
MULTIVERSAL QUEST OF
OURS IS JUST ABOUT TO END.
WHATEVER WILL I DO WITH
MYSELF NOW?

OH, WAIT,
I HAVE AN
IDEA.

IT'S ENOUGH TO DRIVE
A MAN TO *DRINK*. NOT
THAT I NEED MUCH OF
AN EXCUSE FOR THAT.

MY GOD!
DOOM AND HIS
MASTERS OF EVIL
HAVE STRUCK
AGAIN!

THEY'VE
STOLEN ALL THE BOOZE
IN THIS WHOLE ENTIRE
UNIVERSE! ALL BUT THIS...
LAST LITTLE GUZZLE.

HOW CAN
WE POSSIBLY
THWART THEIR
DASTARDLY
SCHEMES?

ANT-MAN
TO THE
RESCUE.

ALSO,
MASTERS OF EVIL?
REALLY? I MEAN, HOW
DESPERATE DO YOU HAVE
TO BE TO CALL
YOURSELVES THE--?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?

HAVING
A LITTLE
CELEBRATORY...
CELEBRATION.
SORRY, THERE'S
NOT ENOUGH
TO SHARE,
'LOK.

THERE'S NOTHING
TO CELEBRATE.
WE'RE NOT FINISHED.

WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT? OF COURSE
WE ARE. WE GOT
THEM ALL.

"WE FOUND THE *STAR PANTHER*, THE STRONGEST BLACK PANTHER WHO'S EVER LIVED.

"WE GOT THE ANGRIEST, PUNCHIEST *THOR*. THE *GOD OF FISTS*."

"WE HAVE OUR *HOWLING COMMANDOS*. OUR ARMY. AN ALL-*STEVE-ROGERS* ARMY."

"AND WE HAVE THE MOST BADASS AIR FORCE THE MULTIVERSE HAS EVER SEEN. IN THE FORM OF THE *CAROL CORPS*."







WHEN I WAS A KID, I
SPENT A LOT OF TIME
WISHING I COULD FLY.

WHAT THE
HELL DO YOU
PEOPLE WANT
WITH ME?

LEAVE ME
ALONE!

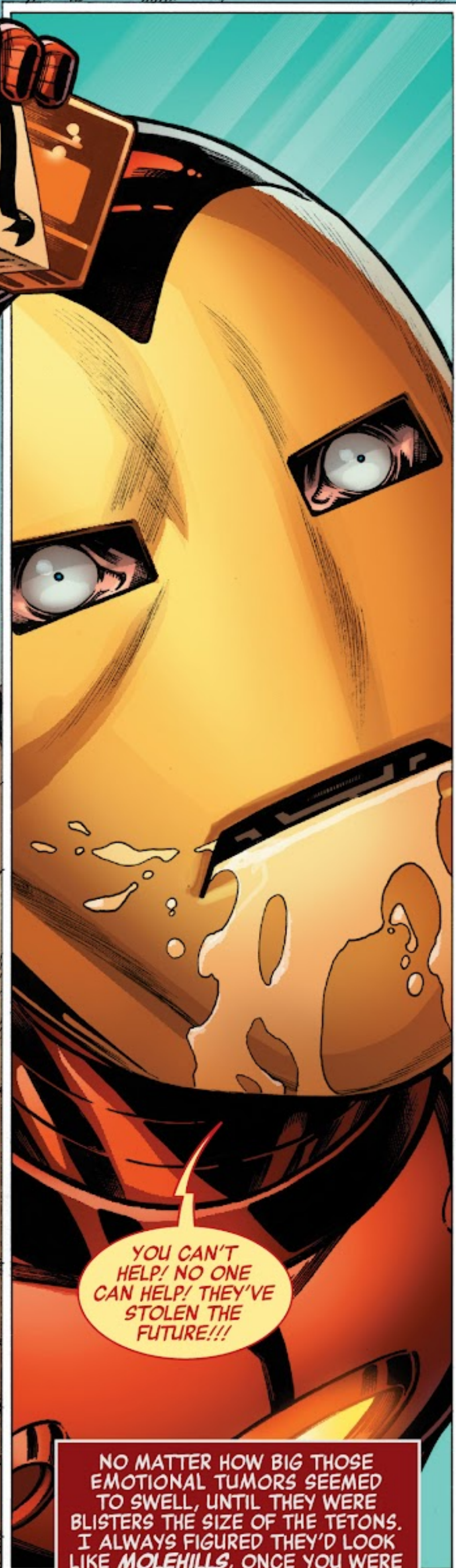


I ALWAYS FIGURED
FLYING WAS THE ONLY
SUREFIRE WAY I
COULD LEAVE ALL MY
PROBLEMS BEHIND.

STARK,
CALM DOWN, WE'RE
THE GOOD GUYS! WE'RE
HERE BECAUSE WE
NEED YOUR HELP!

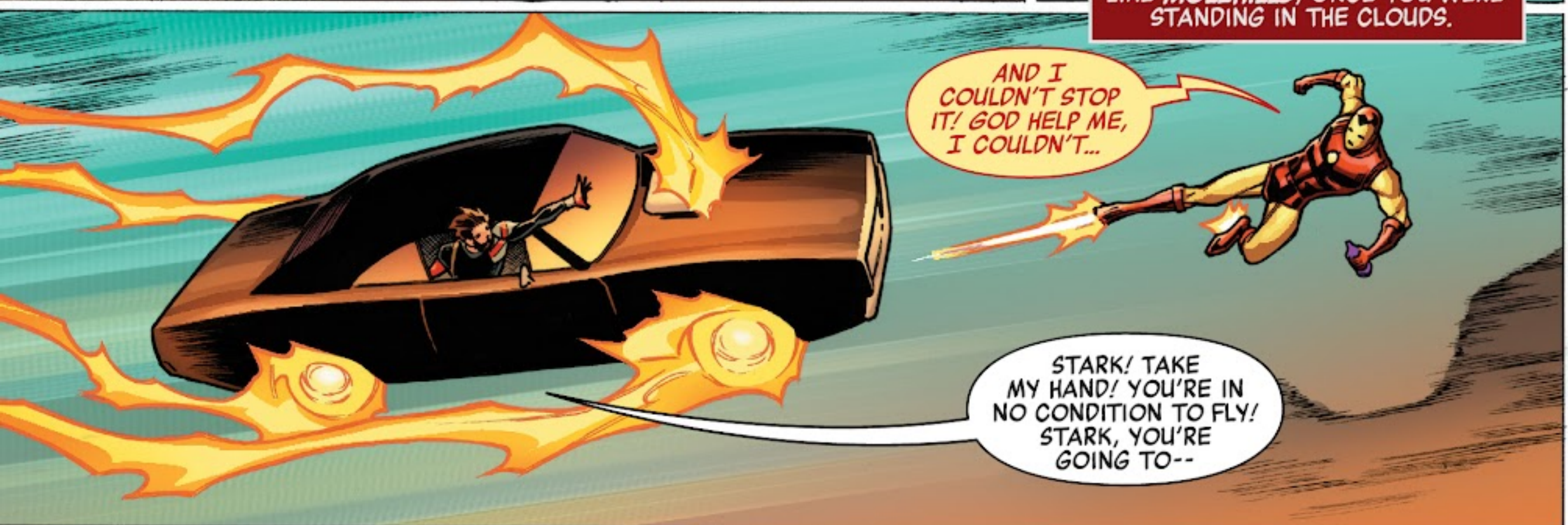
BULLCRAP!

THE ANXIETY, THE SELF-HATE,
THE FEAR OF BECOMING
EMOTIONALLY INVESTED IN
ANYONE OTHER THAN MYSELF.



YOU CAN'T
HELP! NO ONE
CAN HELP! THEY'VE
STOLEN THE
FUTURE!!!

NO MATTER HOW BIG THOSE
EMOTIONAL TUMORS SEEMED
TO SWELL, UNTIL THEY WERE
BLISTERS THE SIZE OF THE TETONS.
I ALWAYS FIGURED THEY'D LOOK
LIKE *MOLEHILLS*, ONCE YOU WERE
STANDING IN THE CLOUDS.



AND I
COULDN'T STOP
IT! GOD HELP ME,
I COULDN'T...

STARK! TAKE
MY HAND! YOU'RE IN
NO CONDITION TO FLY!
STARK, YOU'RE
GOING TO--

BUT I'VE LEARNED THE
HARD WAY THAT THOSE
PROBLEMS NEVER LET
YOU GO, NO MATTER
HOW HIGH YOU FLY.

STARK!

SORT OF
LIKE *GRAVITY*.

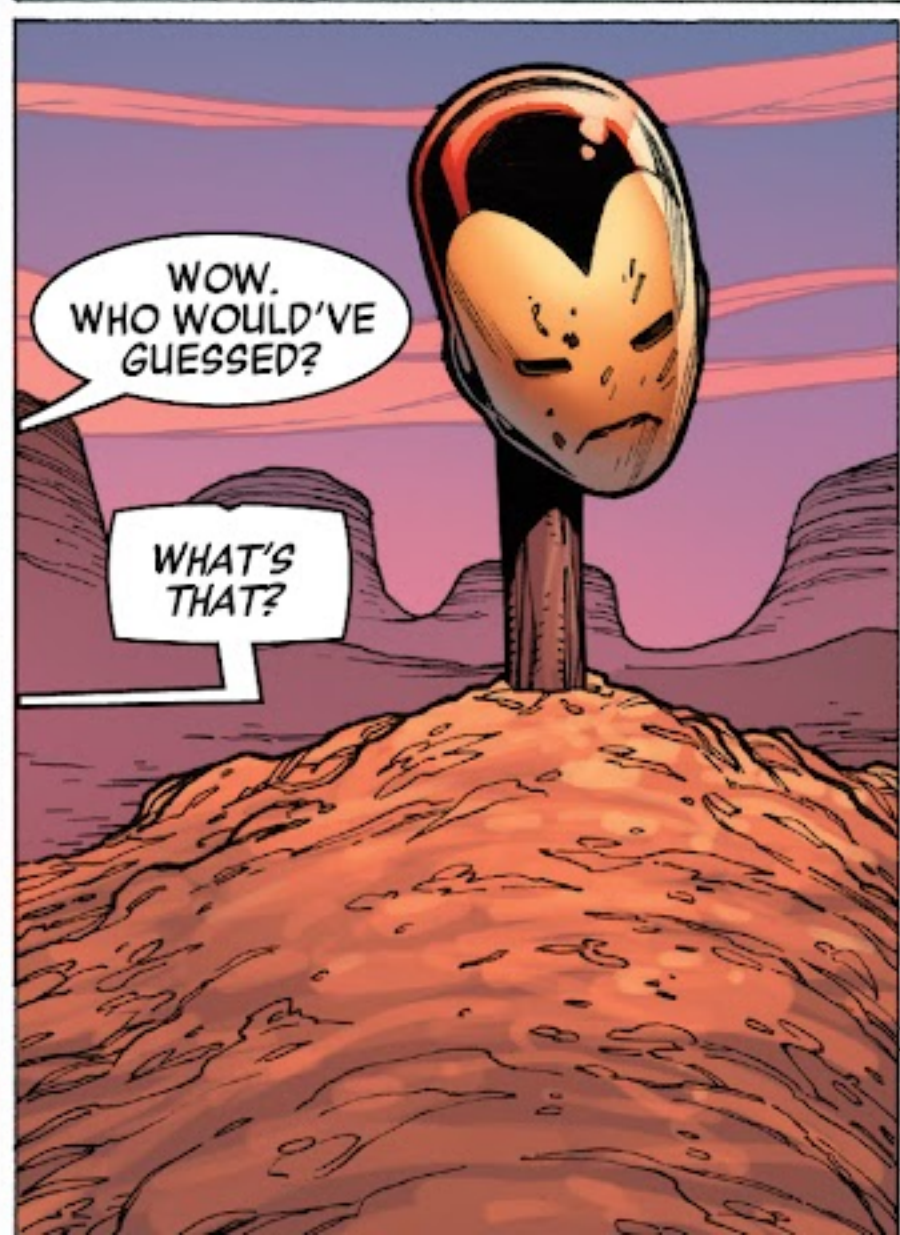


WOW.
WHO WOULD'VE
GUESSED?

WHAT'S
THAT?

THAT THERE
WAS A TONY STARK
OUT THERE EVEN
MORE MESSED UP
THAN *ME*.

WASTING
TIME. LET'S
GO.





ARE WE SURE THIS IS REALLY NECESSARY? A TONY STARK?

I MEAN, DON'T WE HAVE ENOUGH, WITH ALL THE OTHER PIECES WE'VE--

I SEE THE ROADS THAT MUST BE TRAVELED.



NEED A STARK. WON'T HOLD TOGETHER WITHOUT HIM.

THE ALL-RIDER IS RIGHT.



WE HAVE TO KEEP SEARCHING FOR THE ULTIMATE TONY STARK.

UNLESS YOU'RE SAYING YOU--

HOLD THAT THOUGHT.



WHAT WERE YOU ABOUT TO SAY?

NOTHING. LET'S KEEP SEARCHING.

RIGHT, SURE. A LOT OF STARKS IN EXISTENCE. I MEAN, HOW HARD COULD THIS BE, RIGHT?



HE...HE
WORKED HERE FOR
YEARS. KEPT TO HIMSELF.
HE WAS A **BUILDER**. BEST
I'D EVER SEEN.



BEST
ANYBODY'D EVER
SEEN. HE MADE
THINGS OUT OF
OTHER PEOPLE'S
TRASH.

THAT'S ALL
HE HAD TO WORK
WITH BUT THE
THINGS HE MADE...
SUCH WONDROUS
THINGS.

I WISH
EVERYONE
COULD'VE SEEN
THAT, BUT YOU
KNOW HOW
PEOPLE GET.



FOLKS
THOUGHT HE
WAS SOME KIND
OF **WITCH**, SO
THEY...

WELL...
IT'S JUST A
DAMN SHAME.
I FEEL LIKE HE
WAS AWFUL
CLOSE.

I FEEL
LIKE HE WAS
GONNA DO IT,
ALL BY
HIMSELF.

LIKE TONY
STARK WAS
GONNA SAVE
THE WORLD.

IT'S A
NIGHTMARE THAT
NEVER ENDS.

ON ONE WORLD, HE'S BURNED AS A WITCH. ON THE NEXT, HE'S TRANSFERRED HIS MIND INTO A ROBOT BODY TOO BIG TO FIT ON ANY PLANET.

LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT... YOU WANNA SAVE THE EARTH?

SO HE JUST DRIFTS THROUGH SPACE, GUZZLING GAS GIANTS LIKE LITERS OF GIN.

WHO GIVES A DAMN ABOUT THE EARTH?

YOU FIGURED THEY'D LOOK LIKE MOLEHILLS WHEN YOU WERE STANDING IN THE CLOUDS, DIDN'T YOU, TONY?

WHAT'S THAT?

NOTHING. THIS ONE'S ANOTHER DEAD END. LET'S KEEP GOING.

WE FIND AT LEAST THIRTY TONYS WHO USE THEIR SUITS OF ARMOR AS ROBOT BARTENDERS.

ANOTHER TWO-DOZEN WHO FLEW INTO THE SUN, WHETHER ON PURPOSE OR BY ACCIDENT, WHO KNOWS. AROUND FIFTY IN CATATONIC STATES.

AND MORE THAN I COULD EVEN COUNT WHO'D GONE STARK RAVING MAD.

GOD, DID I JUST MAKE A PUN? CLEARLY I'M THE WORST OF THE LOT.

BUT THEN AGAIN, THERE'S ALSO THIS GUY.

I CAN'T TALK, I'M TOO BUSY. TOO MUCH WORK TO DO--GOTTA GET IT RIGHT. GOTTA FINISH THE SUIT. USE IT TO ESCAPE THE CAVE.

WHAT ABOUT ALL THESE SUITS YOU'VE ALREADY BUILT?

NONE OF THEM WERE PERFECT. HAS TO BE PERFECT OR IT WON'T WORK.



CAPTORS
WILL KILL ME.
I'LL NEVER SEE
THE FUTURE, THE
ONE IN MY
DREAMS. I...



...I REALLY
WANT TO SEE
THE FUTURE.

JUST HAVE
TO BUILD THE PERFECT
SUIT. JUST HAVE TO MAKE
IT PERFECT IN EVERY WAY.
CAN'T TRY UNTIL THEN.
CAN'T RISK IT.

JUST WAIT
UNTIL IT'S
PERFECT.



TOMORROW.
PROBABLY
TOMORROW.

I'D SAY HIS
CAPTORS HAVE
BEEN DEAD FOR AT
LEAST TEN YEARS.
I DON'T BELIEVE
HE'S THE ONE.

WHAT DO
YOU SAY,
ANT-MAN?



I'D SAY...
THIS ONE MIGHT
BE ON TO SOMETHING.
MAYBE IT'S BEST IF ALL
THE TONYS STAY IN
THEIR CAVES.



THE MASTERS OF EVIL ARE
MURDERING TOMORROWS. THAT
HURTS THE FUTURISTS MOST OF
ALL. BUT IN A MULTIVERSE OF
INFINITE POSSIBILITIES,
THERE MUST BE--

THIS IS
TONY STARK WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT. YOU
CAN THROW YOUR
INFINITE POSSIBILITIES
OUT THE WINDOW.

ONE MORE,
DEATHLOK. I'LL
DO THIS ONE MORE
TIME, AND THEN...



...I'M
COMING BACK
AND JOINING MY
PAL HERE IN
HIS CAVE.









ROBBIE.

NOT
MY NAME
ANYMORE.



DO ME
A FAVOR,
WILL YA?

OPEN YOUR
TRUNK.



I SEND A BUNCH OF
PERFECTLY GOOD LIQUOR
STRAIGHT TO HELL.

AND THEN I DETOX FOR
THE NEXT COUPLE DAYS
AS WE GO SCREAMING
BETWEEN UNIVERSES IN
A DEMONIC HOT ROD.

I DON'T RECOMMEND
THE EXPERIENCE.

BUT I TELL YA,
I'D STILL TAKE
IT EVERY TIME...

...OVER THE
OTHER HELLS
I'VE SEEN.

IT'S ALL RIGHT,
TONY. I'M RIGHT
HERE WITH YOU.

BUT WE
CAN'T, THE SUIT'S
NOT PERFECT, IT HAS
TO BE PERFECT OR
THEY'LL KILL US!

NOBODY'S
GONNA HURT YOU.
TRUST ME. WE'LL DO
THIS TOGETHER.

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO STAY
HERE ANYMORE.
AND YOU DON'T
HAVE TO BE PERFECT
TO STEP OUTSIDE
AND LIVE.

NONE OF
US EVER ARE.
FAR FROM IT.

IF YOU
DON'T BELIEVE
ME, WELL, I'VE GOT
SOME FRIENDS I'D
LIKE YOU TO
MEET.

WE FOUND
OUR TONY. THE
LAST ONE YOU
WOULD'VE EVER
EXPECTED.

THE LITTLEST
ONE OF ALL.

HEY,
EVERYBODY.
I'M ANT-MAN,
AND I'M A...

I'M
A TONY
STARK.

PRETTY SURE THAT WAS
ROBBIE AND DEATHLOK'S
PLAN ALL ALONG.

HI,
TONY.

HI,
TONY.

HI,
TONY.

HI,
TONY.

YOU CAN'T
HAVE THE AVENGERS
WITHOUT A TONY.

I WANNA
THANK EVERYBODY
FOR COMING. I BROUGHT
A NEW FRIEND ALONG THIS
TIME. THIS IS HIS FIRST
DAY OUT OF THE
CAVE.

YOU WANNA
SAY SOMETHING
TO EVERYBODY,
BUDDY?

BELIEVE ME,
ANY STORY YOU
WANNA SHARE HERE,
THESE PEOPLE WILL
UNDERSTAND WHAT
YOU'VE BEEN
THROUGH.

EVEN AS COMPLETELY
SCREWED UP AS US
TONYS CAN BE.

HI.

I'M...

...I'M
A TONY
STARK.

BECAUSE IT HELPS
TO BE BROKEN YOURSELF
WHEN IT COMES TO
FIXING BROKEN THINGS.

HI,
TONY!

HI,
TONY!

HI,
TONY!

HI,
TONY!

HI,
TONY!

HI,
TONY!

HI,
TONY!



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KUDER₂₂
Sauri

The greatest collection of **Avengers** ever seen has been assembled from across the Multiverse, representing each of the core pillars of the group's infinite incarnations. But for one pivotal figure, there are no other variants to be found anywhere in creation. **Robbie Reyes** is a **Ghost Rider** unlike any other. And at last his ultimate form must be unleashed. Now rises the **All-Rider**.

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